for him at an Aberdeen hospital-opening ceremony, while he waited outside a near-by station to meet Mrs. Simpson. Lairds, gillies, aged retainers, all were surprised and bewildered by the suddenness with which accustomed formality became informality; curtsies scarcely required, and ceremonial door-openings and announcements of meals served and respectful conversations, all superseded, or hurriedly and carelessly executed.

The case of *Simpson v. Simpson,* heard at Ipswich Assizes, though in its procedure, brevity and circumstances, indistinguishable from innumerable other such cases, languidly conducted and little noticed, attracted much attention. American correspondents and photographers assembled in large numbers, but various stratagems were adopted to prevent them from effectually operating. They went sadly away, none the less able to provide photographic and other material sufficient to fill pages of the newspapers they served. In England, there was no more than an announcement, separately given, to the effect that Mrs. Simpson had secured a decree nisi, costs being given against her husband, and evidence of misconduct furnished by employees of the Hotel de Paris, Bray.

After the *Nahlin* cruise, came the King's visit to South Wales, whose distressed areas had been surveyed, fulminated against, recommended upon, and otherwise received bureaucratic and demagogic attention, but continued to exist. The King was deeply moved by che welcome he received from the distressed inhabitants of these distressed areas, and by the melancholy cir-

cumstances of their lives. His sympathetic smile was appreciated, as was his reluctance to keep to the itinerary which had been arranged; and it was noted with satisfaction that he refused to put himself wholly in the keeping of his Ministers in attendance, Sir Kingsley Wood and Mr. Ernest Brown. Several times the police cordon was broken; hymns were passionately sung, and miners' lamps joyously waved in the darkness. 'I am going to help you,' the King said, and in the message of thanks for the welcome he had received, repeated it—'Something will be done for you/